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REMARKS

Claims 5-13 remain in the application prior to this response. Claim 3 was rejected and is now being cancelled.

The Examiner rejected claim 3 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Fellows in view DiJaili. Claims 1-4 and 14-17 have been cancelled.

Claims 5-13 were indicated as shown to allowable subject matter.

For the reasons indicated, each of the claims remaining in the application distinguishes patentably from the prior art applied by the Examiner. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to reconsider his rejections and to allow all of the claims remaining in the application.

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